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In re the application of:

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For: OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LABELING REACTANTS AND THEIR USE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 28, 2002

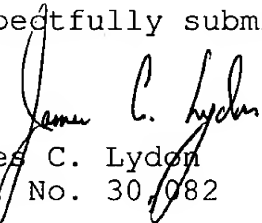
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2002, applicants provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-12.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect compound 37, disclosed in Example 32 on page 35. Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, 10 and 11 read on the elected species.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Response. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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